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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/751,607	Applicant(s) WU ET AL.	
	Examiner Joseph L. Williams	Art Unit 2889	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 October 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 27,28,30-33 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 28 and 30 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 27 and 31-33 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

The amendment and response filed on 10/10/2008 has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The indicated allowability of claims 27 and 31-33 is withdrawn in view of the newly discovered reference(s) to Wani et al. (JP 05-013005), of record by Applicant.

Rejections based on the newly cited reference(s) follow.

Claims 28 and 30 are allowed.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 27 and 31-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wani et al. (JP 05-013005), of record by Applicant.

Regarding claim 27, Wani ('005) teaches in figure 1 and the corresponding text, an electrode for a plasma display panel, comprising: at least one bus line conductor (4); and at least one pad (6) connected with the at least one bus line conductor, the at least one pad including opposing side sections, each of the side sections having a blunted triangular shape, the side sections tapering away from an interior portion of the at least one pad, wherein the interior portion of the at least one pad includes blunted triangular

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shape end portions, one of the end portions connecting with the at least one bus line conductor.

Regarding claim 31, Wani ('005) teaches the side sections of the at least one pad each have a portion that gradually increases in width.

Regarding claim 32, Wani ('005) teaches the side sections of the at least one pad gradually increase in width.

Regarding claim 33, Wani ('005) teaches the at least one bus line conductor has a first width and the side sections have a maximum width that is greater than the first width, each of the side sections having a portion that is narrower than the maximum width and that intersects the at least one bus line conductor.

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph L. Williams whose telephone number is (571) 272-2465. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (6:30 AM-3:00 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Minh-Toan Ton can be reached on (571) 272-2303. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Joseph L. Williams/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2889